

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE	:	
DECISION TO APPROVE A REVISED	:	NOTICE OF TENTATIVE
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE	:	DECISION TO APPROVE
LARGE MINING OPERATIONS		
FOR U.S. OIL SANDS (UTAH) INC.		
PR SPRING MINE, UINTAH COUNTY		
UTAH	:	NO. M/047/0090

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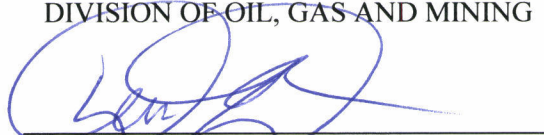
Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve a Significant Revision to the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (Notice) for the PR Spring Mine. Mining activities will affect portions of the following areas: Sections 35 and 36, Township 15 South, Range 24 East, and Sections 31 and 32, Township 15.5 South, Range 24 East, SLBM, Uintah and Grand Counties, Utah. A copy of the Notice is available for public inspection at the Division's public information center.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision may file a written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Dana Dean, P.E., Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint.

The company intends to make changes to the mine footprint and sequencing operations which will reduce the amount of overburden and interburden storage areas to better facilitate concurrent reclamation. Phase 1 activities will focus on operations from 3 open pits. Two stockpiles of waste rock that were originally planned as valley fill dumps are being eliminated from the mine plan. As mining proceeds, oil sands ore will be hauled to the on-site processing plant while overburden and interburden waste rock will initially be stockpiled in a designated storage area. As the pits are mined out, contemporaneous reclamation will occur by hauling waste rock back to the pits and recontouring the material to blend in with the surrounding topography.

DATED THIS 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015

STATE OF UTAH  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING



Dana Dean, P.E.  
Associate Director, Mining

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Significant Revision of the Large Mining Notice of Intention for The U.S. Oil Sands P.R. Springs Mine M/047/0090 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the 8 day of April, 2015 to:

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